

Rural Fire Assistance Criteria

Departments that want to receive RFA funding from DOI agencies must register at the Central Contractor Registration at: <http://www.ccr.gov/vendor.asp> before the grant is awarded. A DUNS number is required to register and can be requested from Dun & Bradstreet at <http://fedgov.dnb.com/webform>. At this site you may search to see if you already have a DUNS number or request a new one.

New this year! Departments applying for RFA funding must also apply online at www.grants.gov in addition to submitting the enclosed hard copy application. The hard copy application serves as a pre screening mechanism for funding coming to Alaska for RFA. The online application period will vary from the in- state hard copy application process. Keep checking web site for application submittal dates.

- 1) Funding is limited to training equipment, and prevention activities related to wildland fire only. Some restrictions may apply to the purchase of communications equipment. No footwear/boots.
- 2) Capability to meet cost share at a minimum of 10% (which may include in-kind services).
- 3) Maximum allowable grant per fire department for RFA per year is \$20,000
- 4) Departments in close proximity to Department of Interior lands will receive priority for RFA funding.
- 5) Fire Departments should have a cooperative agreement with the Alaska Division of Forestry, or a Federal agency (BLM, NPS, BIA, FWS, and Forest Service) to attack wildland fires within their service areas